

Amendments To The Specification:

In the English translation document, please delete the term --Description-- at page 1 written line 1.

In the English translation of sheet 1, please amend the title at lines 3 and 4, as follows:

Method and device ~~apparatus~~ for filling material separations on ~~at~~ a surface

In the English translation document, please add the paragraph at page 1 line 5, after the title, as follows:

--CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATION

This application is the US National Stage of International Application No. PCT/DE2003/003954, filed December 1, 2003 and claims the benefit thereof. The International Application claims the benefits of German Patent application No. 10259361.2 DE filed December 18, 2002, both of the applications are incorporated by reference herein in their entirety.--

In the English translation document, please add the section heading at page 1 line 5, after the newly added CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATION section with the new section heading, as follows:

--FIELD OF THE INVENTION--

In the English translation document, please amend the paragraph at page 1 lines 6 to 8, as follows:

The invention relates to a method and an apparatus for filling material separations in accordance with the preamble of the claims ~~1 and 17~~, respectively.

In the English translation document, please add the section heading at page 1, line 9, as follows:

--BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION--

In the English translation document, please add the section heading at page 1, line 23, as follows:

--SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION—

In the English translation document, please amend the paragraph at page 1 lines 28 and 29, as follows:

The object is achieved by a method and an apparatus in accordance with the claims ~~1 and 17,~~ respectively.

In the English translation document, please add the section heading at page 1 line 33, as follows:

--BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS--

In the English translation document, please add the section heading at page 2 line 11, as follows:

--DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE INVENTION--